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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
  
Plaintiff,  
  
v.  
  
GILBERTO ARTEAGA ET AL.,  
  
Defendants.

CASE NO. 1:23-CR-00149-JLT-SKO

STIPULATION AND ORDER RE EXCLUDABLE  
TIME PERIODS UNDER SPEEDY TRIAL ACT

DATE: 3/20/2024

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

COURT: Hon. Sheila K. Oberto

**BACKGROUND**

Plaintiff United States of America, by and through its counsel of record, and defendants, by and through defendants' counsel of record, hereby stipulate as follows:

1. By previous order, this matter was set for status conference on 3/20/2024.
2. By this stipulation, defendants now move to continue the status conference until 8/21/2024, and to exclude time between 3/20/2024, and 8/21/2024, under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), B (i), (iv).
3. The parties agree and stipulate, and request that the Court find the following:
  - a) The government has represented that the discovery associated with this case includes cellphone extractions, investigative reports, and various media evidence. These materials have been produced to the defense and/or made available for inspection and copying.
  - b) Counsel for defendants desire additional time consult with their clients, review the

1 voluminous discovery, conduct independent investigation, and pursue a potential pretrial  
2 resolution of the case. In addition, the government and defense counsel have been in plea  
3 negotiations and the parties need time to discuss those matters as well as work on plea  
4 agreements.

5 c) Counsel for defendants believe that failure to grant the above-requested  
6 continuance would deny him/her the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking  
7 into account the exercise of due diligence.

8 d) The government does not object to the continuance.

9 e) Based on the above-stated findings, the ends of justice served by continuing the  
10 case as requested outweigh the interest of the public and the defendant in a trial within the  
11 original date prescribed by the Speedy Trial Act.

12 f) For the purpose of computing time under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161,  
13 et seq., within which trial must commence, the time period of 3/20/2024 to 8/21/2024, inclusive,  
14 is deemed excludable pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), B(i) and (iv) because failure to  
15 grant the continuance would deny the defendant reasonable time to obtain counsel, would  
16 unreasonably deny the defendant or the Government continuity of counsel, or would deny  
17 counsel for the defendant or the attorney for the Government the reasonable time necessary for  
18 effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence.

19 4. Nothing in this stipulation and order shall preclude a finding that other provisions of the  
20 Speedy Trial Act dictate that additional time periods are excludable from the period within which a trial  
21 must commence.

22 IT IS SO STIPULATED.

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24 Dated: March 11, 2024

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27 /s/ JUSTIN J. GILIO  
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1 Dated: March 11, 2024

/s/ Miles Harris

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Shannon Calhoun

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/s/ Richard A. Beshwate

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Counsel for Defendant

Richard Garcia

14 **ORDER**

15 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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17 DATED: 3/14/2024

*Sheila K. Oberto*

THE HONORABLE SHEILA K. OBERTO  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE